Winter 2005 Newsletter

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# Upcoming State Holiday's

Dec. 31, 2004 Jan. 17, 2005 Feb. 21, 2005 Apr. 25, 2005 May 30, 2005

Please note that the Board Office will be closed on these days.

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# View from the Chair by: Diana McCampbell, LCSW

As I enter my third year of service to the Board of Social Work, I feel I am now more knowledgeable about Board policy and procedures and I am ready to assume the responsibilities of Board Chair. I appreciate my fellow board members show of confidence in me by electing me to the position.

As my first "official" duty, I want to welcome two new members to the Board. Jerry Satterwhite and Janet Rawls. Many of you may remember Jerry served on the Board before and did an outstanding job. Ms. Rawls joins us as representative of the 2<sup>nd</sup> district.

During my term as chair, I hope to see the Board continue its efforts to change the law and administrative Code to better serve and protect the public. The Board had proposed several Code changes during the previous year including the following (changes are in bold pint and underlined): first issue involves "Internet Practice" of social work.

#### **Section 34-30-1**

#### **Definitions.**

(3) Social work practice.

The professional application of social work values, principles and techniques to one or more of the following ends: helping people obtain tangible services, counseling with individuals, families and groups, helping communities or groups provide or improve social and health services, engaging in research related to those ends and principles, and administering organizations and agencies engaging in such practice. The practice of Social Work requires knowledge of human development and behavior. of social, economic and cultural institutions and of the interaction of all these factors.

The provision of social work
services to an individual in
this State, through
telephonic, electronic, or
other means, regardless of
the location of the social
worker, shall constitute the
practice of social work and
shall be subject to
regulation.

#### **Section 34-30-3**

# Private independent practice of Social Work.

After May 24, 1978, no person may engage in the

private independent practice of Social Work unless he is:

(a)

- (3) Has had two years' full-time or three years' part-time postgraduate—LCSW
  Licensure experience under appropriate supervision in the specified Social Work Method; and or four years' full time or five years' part-time postgraduate experience under appropriate supervision in the specialty in which the applicant will practice.
- (5) Has been issued by mail a certified letter of certification stating notified of certification his qualification for private independent practice by the board; and
- (b) The provision of social work service to an individual in this state, through telephonic, electronic or other means regardless of the location of the social worker, shall constitute the practice of social work and shall be subject to regulation. The social worker must have the Private Independent **Practice certification prior** to practicing in Alabama if the practice of social work is not within an agency setting.

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"we are actively seeking. legislators to support our bills"

#### **Section 34-30-4**

Disciplinary proceedings
— Grounds for
suspension, revocation,
denial of application or
nonrenewal of license;
administrative fines.

(a) The State Board of

Social Work
Examiners, after a
hearing, may refuse to
renew, may suspend
or may revoke any
license issued under
this chapter. The
Board may deny an
application upon
proof that the person
has engaged in
unprofessional
conduct within the last
five years,
including...

#### **Section 34-30-5**

# Disciplinary proceedings — Procedure.

The following procedure will apply to revocation and suspension hearings and to judicial review of these hearings:

(1) Hearings are to be conducted by a five-person panel of the Board of Social Work Examiners with recommended decisions to be by majority vote of the panel. The Board has discretion to use a hearing officer.

#### Section 34-30-22

# Qualifications of applicants.

c. Certified Social Worker:

#### 2. Holds a valid Graduate Social Work License.

The above changes are being proposed to cover gaps that were discovered as the Board performed its duties. Providing services to clients by telephone is growing in use and this area is not covered in current policies. Requiring one to have a valid license at the LCSW level while gaining the necessary skills and training to qualify as a PIP insures that those who are granted this designation has acquired their skills over a period time that would support their practicing social work independently. Currently, regardless of the violation, the Board cannot deny an application to an individual seeking to obtain a social work license: recent occurrences has convinced the Board

that this additional protection is needed. Finally, allowing for the use of a hearing officer gives the Board this option if necessary. With the new legislative session scheduled to begin in February 2005, we are actively seeking legislators to support our bills and guide them through the upcoming session.

I am looking forward to the upcoming year. I anticipate there will be challenges as well as excitement during this term and I am ready to meet them head on!



### Social Workers... Do You Need Insurance?

The Alabama Chapter of NASW has been asked to research the idea of offering a group health insurance plan for social workers. A member of our state board of directors reported that it was her belief that social workers, especially those in private practice, would like the opportunity to purchase

health insurance.

If you are a social worker who is interested in participating in a group health insurance plan, please contact the chapter office. Initially we plan to determine if there is a need for this type of insurance, and if a need is identified we will research

the options and proceed from there.

Stay tuned for more information on this in future newsletters from NASW.

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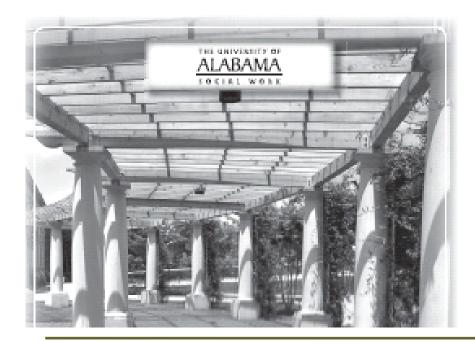
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#### New PIP's Issued

0689-1415C FREEMAN, CHARLENA M. SEP 2004 DEATSVILLE 0690-1266C STANFIELD, TODD S. SEP 2004 SHEFFIELD 0691-1776C CUDE, LESLIE H. OCT 2004 DOTHAN 0692-1549C GARRISON, RACHEL G. OCT 2004 **BIRMINGHAM** 0693-0506C MORGAN, WILSON OCT 2004 TUSCALOOSA 0694-1782C COPULSKY, PEGGY R. DEC 2004 **ENTERPRISE** 0695-1817C MCCRAY, LEONARD R. DEC 2004 **BIRMINGHAM** 



# M.S.W. Program in Gadsden Begins May 2005

Applications are being accepted now for the two-year M.S.W. program on the UA Gadsden campus, which begins in late May 2005. Starting in May 2006, the Gadsden campus will also offer a one-year advanced-standing M.S.W. program for those with CSWE-accredited B.S.W. degrees. For more information or an application, call (205) 348-8557 or (205) 348-3943 or visit the www.socialwork.ua.edu web site. Visit www.gadsden.ua.edu for directions to the UA Gadsden campus.

### **ASWB Celebrated 25 Years of Service**



"16 past presidents with the current president of the Association attended the meeting.

ASWB celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> year this past November with a grand celebration. In attendance were past presidents and others that served as leaders over the vears for the association. The event was held in conjunction with the Annual Fall Business Meeting in Chantilly, Virginia. Alabama had two representatives present at the gala event, Marsha Hobbs from District 1 and Brenda Holden from the Board

ASWB offers two meetings for member boards annually. One is the business meeting where the member boards vote on rules and regulations for the association, and elect presidents and officers to lead the association. The other is the Spring

Educational meeting

and offers continuing

where ASWB lines up top

trainers for various topics

education to participants.

Office.

### **Up Coming Event**

Alabama Conference of Social Work: *Together We Make A Difference* Taking place on March 30- April 1, 2005 at the Riverview Plaza Hotel in Mobile, AL. Be sure to make your reservations early, cut off for hotel is February 28, 2005. Call ACSW at 334/281-4900 if you have any questions on Tuesday or Thursday or email: alcsw@earthlink.net

## **Job Opportunities**

#### Omni Visions, Inc. Director of Social Services

Omni Visions, Inc., a multi-state social services agency providing therapeutic foster care, is seeking a State Director for Alabama. This is a professional and administrative position directing all program activities for Omni Visions. Inc. in Alabama. The position includes supervision of the agency's Regional Directors for the therapeutic foster care program, the Quality Improvement Coordinator, and administrative staff in the Omni Visions, Inc. state office. The successful applicant will

have extensive experience directing and supervising the operations of a large organization with significant organizational and financial experience; thorough knowledge of management information systems and technology; and strong decision-making and interpersonal skills. Applicant must be graduate of an accredited four year college or university with a bachelor's degree in social work and be a licensed social worker in the State of Alabama. Master's degree with 2-5 years experience in the field of child

welfare and/or therapeutic foster care and knowledge of Alabama child welfare services preferred. Salary is negotiable. Resumes accepted. Respond to C. Crabtree Associates, 3949
Jasmine Hill Rd., Wetumpka, AL 36093 including resume, cover letter, and salary requirement.

Contact Information: C. Crabtree Associates

Cathy R. Crabtree 3949 Jasmine Hill Road Wetumpka, AL 36093

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3968B	PATTON, AMANDA B.	SEP 2004	HUNTSVILLE	1924G	WIMBERLY, JOSHUA C.	AUG 2004	MOBILE
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3971B	WHITE, NYSHETIA L.	SEP 2004	BIRMINGHAM	1927G	BERRY, CRYSTAL Y.	SEP 2004	BIRMINGHAM
3972B	DESHAZO, RICHARD B.	SEP 2004	ALBUQUERQUE	1928G	HARRIS, CLIFFORD L.	SEP 2004	GULFPORT
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	KELLEY, JENNIFER L.	SEP 2004	MCCALLA	1934G	ANNAMALAI, SHARMILAA	SEP 2004	BIRMINGHAM
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	BELMONT-PRUPAS, AMIE E.	SEP 2004	PRATTVILLE		RANDALL, JANET N.	SEP 2004	OXFORD
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1859C	VAUGHAN, STEVEN W.	DEC 2004	ELDORADO
1860C	MALONE. ASHLEY G.	DEC 2004	NORTHPORT

# Free CE from The Department of Public Health

The Alabama Department of Public Health still offers the satellite conference free to Alabama Social Workers. For more information log on to The Department of Public Health's web site at:

http://www.adph.org/alphtn/ Check it out frequently for updates on programs and availability.

## Reminder: Continuing Education (CE) Hours Must Be Earned During

Your Renewal Months

As of January 1, 2005 all licensees are required to earn their CE hours during the 24 months of their renewal period. Although there is a 60-day grace period, this grace period is to submit the renewal forms to the Board; it is

not to be used to obtain CE hours. The hours must be earned during the period beginning the month following your renewal date, and ending on the next renewal date (24 months later). Many people were using the extra time to catch up with

the required hours, but this was not the intended use of the grace period. Compliance with this policy is now being enforced. Renewal notices mailed since August 2004 have contained information on this change of policy.

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